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Sen. Allen announces CMI award to Thunder Bay River Watershed Initiative

Lansing – State Sen. Jason Allen (R-Traverse City) today announced the Thunder Bay River Watershed Initiative will receive a \$275,000 grant under the Clean Michigan Initiative, Clean Water Fund through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

“I was pleased to hear that the Thunder Bay River Watershed Initiative will be receiving this grant,” Allen said. “This is great news for our community.”

The CMI Clean Water Fund, a \$90 million fund, provides money for water quality monitoring and improvements throughout the state.

The Thunder Bay River Watershed Initiative plans to use the grant to stabilize eroding road-stream crossings; install fencing to keep livestock out of local waterways; stabilize eroding stream banks; protect portions of the watershed through land protection agreements; and establish a water quality information/education program, including water quality kits for real estate agents.

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